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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 11, 2003, setting a three-month term for reply.

REOUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the period for the reply be extended by three months, i.e., to up to and including September 11, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$920.00 in payment of the fee therefore, and any additionally required fee for the extension, or any other fee occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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CONCLUSION

In view of these amendments and remarks herewith, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration of the application, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections, and prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment of such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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